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The Jumpstart Coalition for Personal Financial Literacy (<a href="www.jumpstart.org">www.jumpstart.org</a>) has determined that many young people fail in the management of their first consumer credit experience, establish bad financial management habits, and stumble through their lives learning by trial and error. The Coalition objective is to encourage curriculum enrichment to insure that basic personal financial management skills are attained during the K-12 educational experience. To contact the Jumpstart Coalition, call, write, or email at: (888) 45-EDUCATE, 919 18<sup>th</sup> Street, NW Suite 300, Washington, DC 20006, <a href="mailto:info@jumpstartcoalition.org">info@jumpstartcoalition.org</a>.

The National Partners for Financial Empowerment (<a href="www.npfe.org">www.npfe.org</a>) is a coalition of consumer and community organizations, corporations, business organizations, federal, state and local government and non-profit groups dedicated to helping improve personal finance skills. To contact NPFE, send email to:

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The Investor Protection Trust (<a href="www.investorprotection.org">www.investorprotection.org</a>) is an organization dedicated to non-commercial investor education. From information on How To Check Out a Broker, Get Started Investing, Resolve Disputes with a Financial Professional; to obtaining help for A Young Person, A New Investor, Nearing Retirement, and Already Retired, there is a wealth of information to help answer your questions.

The National Futures Association (<u>www.nfa.futures.org</u>) is a self regulatory organization for the US futures industry. Since NFA began operations in 1982, the organization has been committed to protecting the rights of investors in the futures markets.

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